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Dear Air Board-

I am writing this letter because I feel City Council is gambling with the future of the Potomac River Generating Station. It has come to my attention that the city has been spending millions of dollars of taxpayers' money to try and get the power plant shut down. Mirant Power has been trying to obtain a permit to do some renovation on the existing stacks on the power plant but City Council has denied their request.

I understand that some people in the area would like to see City Council get their way and shut the power plant down. But these are the people that moved to this area after the power plant was already here. If the power plant was an issue to them, then maybe they shouldn't have moved to the area.

I have lived in Alexandria for 46 years along with my family. The power plant has been part of this community before I moved here. If I didn't want to live near a power plant then I wouldn't have chosen this area to live. I don't know why the city and some people in the area have a problem with the power plant. It supplies them with electricity that they depend on every day.

Mirant Power has offered to improve the stacks with a stack merge that will discharge the emissions higher into the air which in return means cleaner, safer air for us to breathe. I feel that this will be a great benefit for all involved. I am asking you to please allow Mirant to continue to be a part of this community and to continue providing us with our energy needs now and into the future.

Thank you for your service,

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